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April 13, 2004

TO: Each Supervisor

FROM: Bryce Yokomizo, Director

SUBJECT: **GENERAL RELIEF OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORK (GROW)
(BOARD ORDER #83 - JUNE 15, 1999)**

As requested by your Board on June 15, 1999, attached is the report of key GROW statistics for February 2004 and an update on the GROW Program.

We have placed 793 GROW participants in jobs during the month of February. A total of 47,764 job placements have been achieved.

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Attachments

c: Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors
Chief Administrative Officer
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GENERAL RELIEF OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORK (GROW)

FEBRUARY 2004

MONTH	ORIENTATION AND JOB SKILLS ASSESSMENT		JOB SKILLS PREPARATION CLASS			JOB PLACEMENTS	SELF-INITIATED PROGRAMS (SIPS)
	Scheduled	Showed	Scheduled	Showed	Completions (1)		Ongoing Enrollments
February	5,394	3,635 (67%)	2,035	1,017 (50%)	845	793	957

MONTH	VOCATIONAL ASSESSMENTS		EDUCATION/ TRAINING		SUPPORTIVE SERVICE REFERRALS	GROW CASELOAD	SANCTIONS
	Scheduled	Showed	Started	Completions	(2)		
February	556	434 (78%)	142	22	305	35,939	1,464

Note:

- (1) Job Skills Preparation Class completions counts should not be tied to the scheduled/show counts, as completions include participants who began the 3-week Job Skills Preparation Class in the previous month but completed it in the report month.
- (2) Substance Abuse, Domestic Violence, Clinical Assessment and Mental Health treatment referrals.

GROW UPDATE FEBRUARY 2004

JOB PLACEMENTS

Since implementation in 2/99, a total of 47,764 participants have become employed through the GROW program.

- On 2/19, San Fernando GROW held an on-site recruitment with Manpower and Goodwill Industries. A total of 80 participants attended and hires are still pending. Also on 2/26, staff participated in an off-site Call Center Customer Recruitment. There were 14 employers participating in this event and over 100 participants were in attendance. Employers included Remedy Staffing, Kaiser Permanente, Sears Marketing, Hilton, American Red Cross and AAA.
- Pomona GROW held on-site recruitments on 2/12, 2/18 and 2/19 with Checkmate Staffing, Abbott's Labor Link and Travel Jobs. Over 60 participants attended these events and hires are still pending.
- South Central GROW held recruitment activities on 2/25 and 2/26 with Link Staffing and Ameristaff. Hires are still pending.
- South Special GROW held on-site recruitment activities on 2/5, 2/12, 2/19 and 2/26 with Kelly Services, Axiom Staffing and Venturi Staffing. Over 200 participants attended these events and 29 have been hired.
- Pasadena GROW held recruitment activities on 2/10 and 2/24 with Volt and Excel. Over 30 participants were in attendance of these activities and hires are still pending.
- During this month, Glendale GROW held an on-site recruitment with Remedy Staffing in which 17 participants attended. Also throughout the month, participants were referred to various recruitment sites including Office Depot, Sears, Staples, Universal Protection Services and Washington Mutual Bank.

PROGRAM PARTICIPATION

- Through February 2004, the cumulative participation rates for both Orientation and Job Skills Preparation Class continue to exceed 50%.